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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS

REF: STATE 202267

1. FOLLOWING ARE DRAFT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES DISCUSSED IN
REF MESSAGE. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS AND REVISION
NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6.

I. ENCOURAGE SOMALIA TO RE-ORIENT TOWARDS A NON-ALIGNED
POSITION.

-- INDICATE OUR WILLINGNESS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR
EUROPEAN ALLIES AND MODERATE ARAB STATES, TO ASSIST SOMALIA
TO PURSUE A MORE TRULY NON-ALIGNED FOREIGN POLICY.

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-- IDENTIFY AND PROMOTE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROJECTS
WHICH WILL SERVE LEGITIMATE DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES AND
DEMONSTRATE OUR INTEREST IN SOMALIA'S NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

-- ENCOURAGE THE SOMALIS TO ORIENT THEIR POLICIES TO
ACCOMMODATE THE CONCERNS OF THE MODERATE NATIONS IN THE
REGION, INCLUDING MODERATE ARAB STATES AND KENYA.

II. SUPPORT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE OGADEN CONFLICT.

-- EMPHASIZE THAT, DESPITE OUR DESIRE TO HAVE SOMALIA LESS DEPENDENT ON THE USSR, WE WILL NOT IMPLEMENT OUR DECISION IN PRINCIPLE TO PROVIDE DEFENSIVE ARMS UNTIL THE CONFLICT IN THE OGADEN IS SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED.

-- MAKE CLEAR THAT THE US SUPPORTS THE OAU PRINCIPLE OF THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF AFRICAN NATIONS.

-- EXPRESS US CONCERNS THAT PROTRACTED CONFLICT IN THE OGADEN WILL IMPEDE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND WILL EXHAUST SOMALIA'S LIMITED RESOURCES.

III. ENCOURAGE SOMALIS TO EASE RESTRICTIONS ON US PERSONNEL.

-- MAKE CLEAR TO THE SOMALIS THAT IF THEY ARE SINCERE IN THEIR DESIRE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS THEY SHOULD EASE RESTRICTIONS ON US DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL, PERMIT SHIP AND AIRCRAFT VISITS, AND OTHERWISE MOVE TO EASE DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGE AND INTERNATIONAL CONTACT.

-- EMPHASIZE THAT THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NOT ONLY CONTRARY TO INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE AMONG FRIENDLY NATIONS, CONFIDENTIAL

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BUT INHIBIT OUR ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. VANCE

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